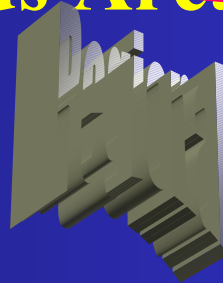
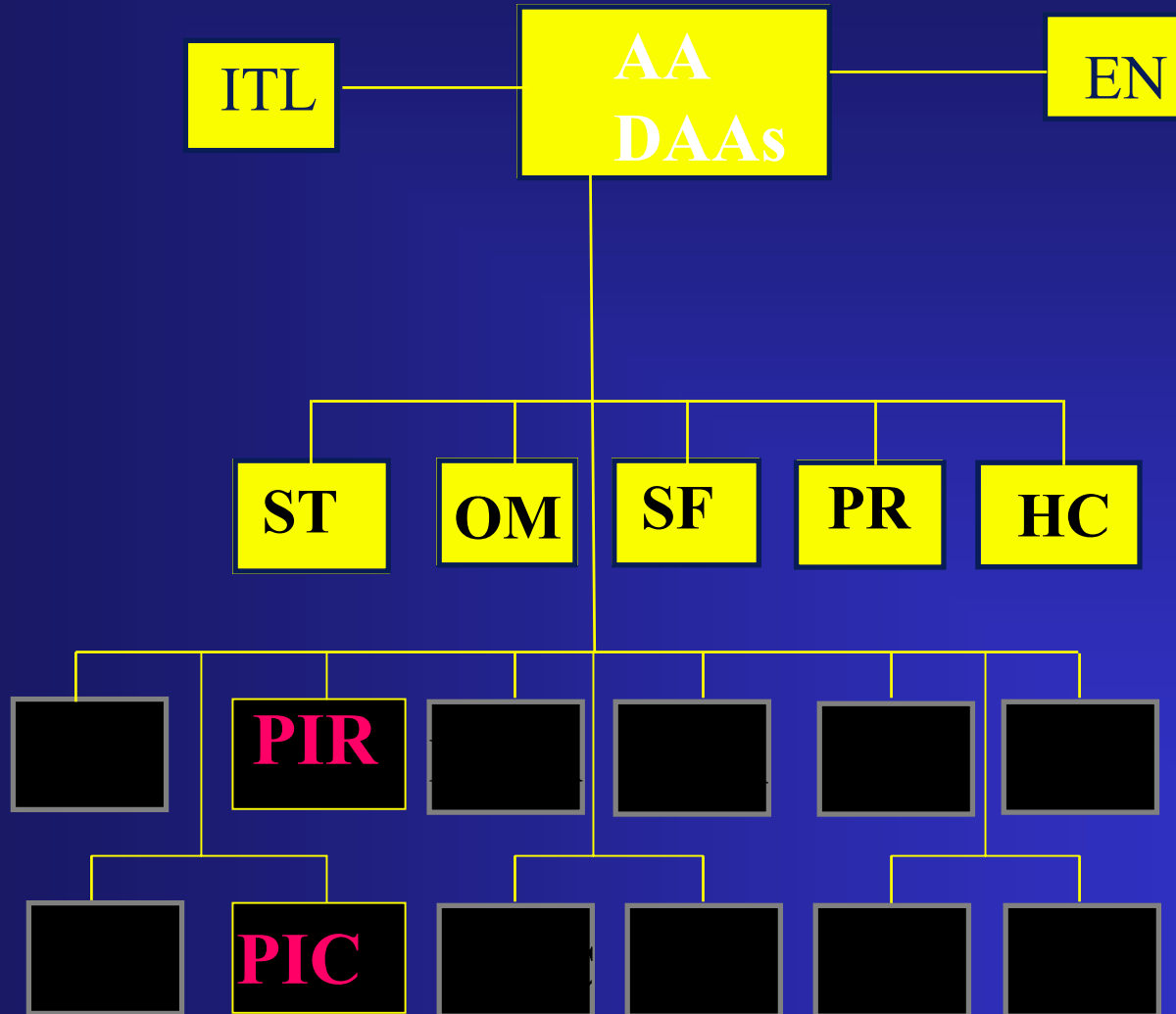


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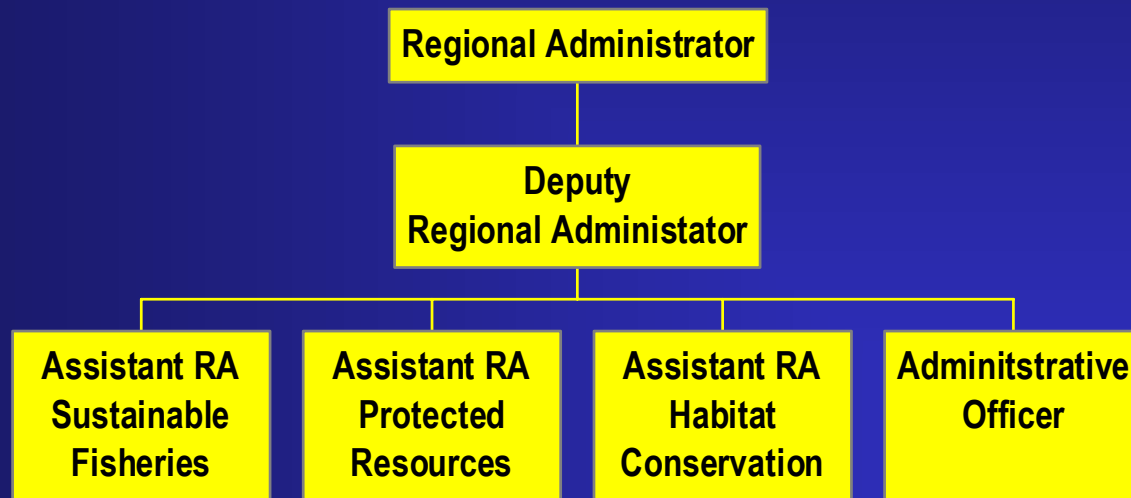
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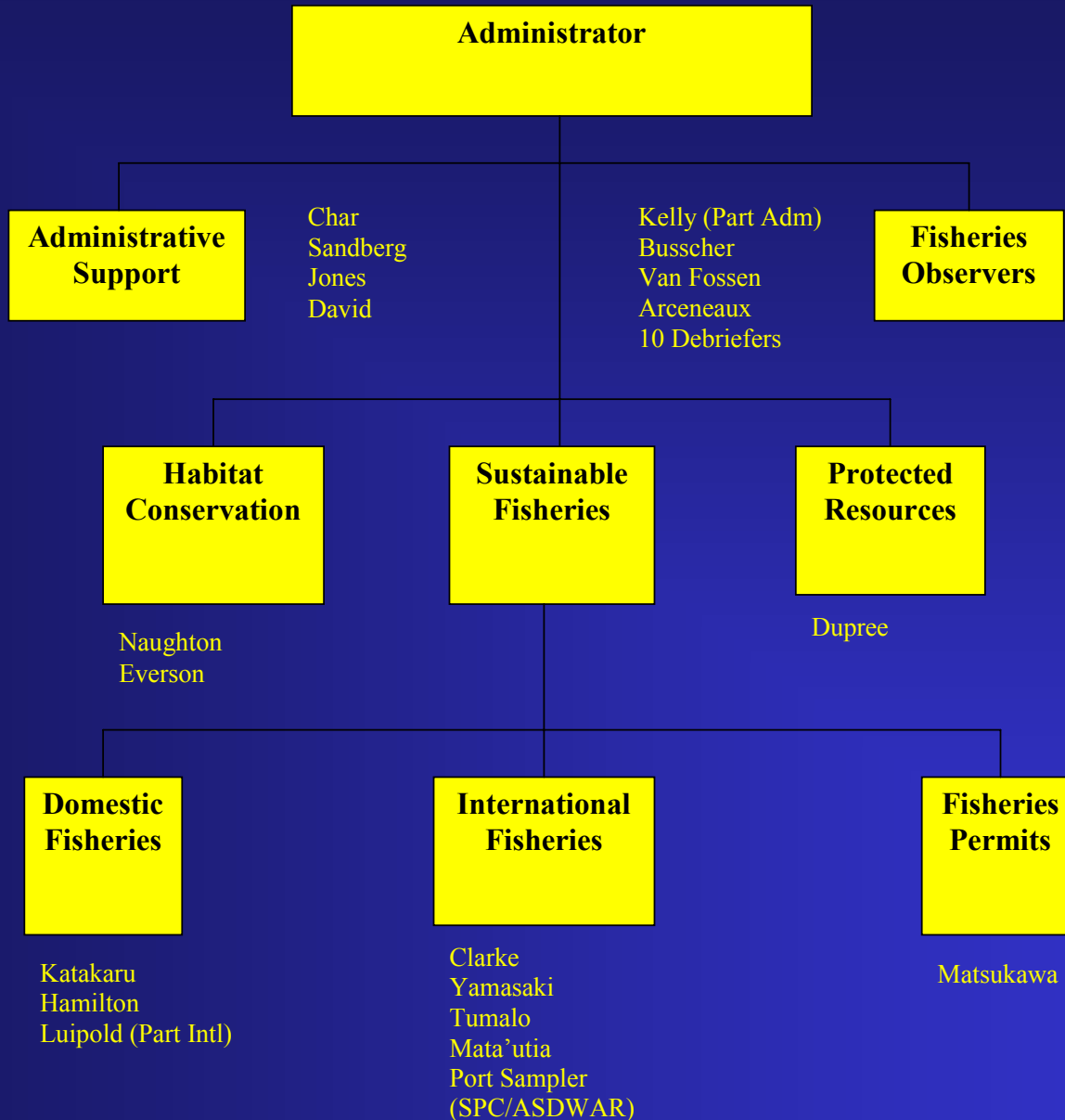
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# Pacific Islands Region

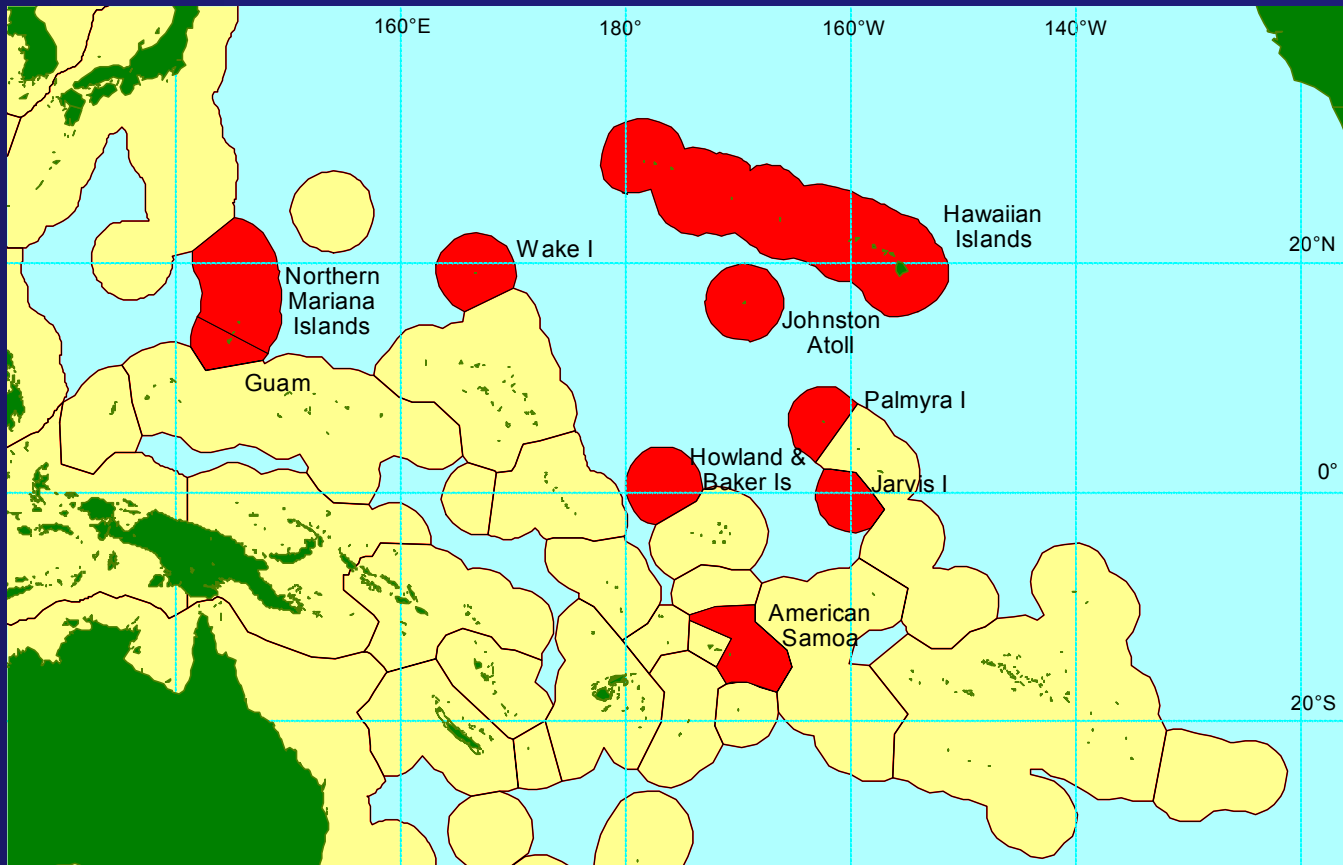


# Pacific Islands Area Office Structure





# Pacific Islands Area



# Pacific Islands Region

- **Pacific Islands Regional Office**
- **Pacific Islands Fishery Science Center**
- **Office of Enforcement**
- **Western Pacific Fishery Management Council**

# Pacific Islands Regional Office Functions

- **Manage and administer living marine resources programs**
- **Represent NOAA Fisheries in WCPO**
- **Provide advice and guidance to AA**



# PIRO Responsibilities

- **Build Sustainable Fisheries**
- **Recover Protected Species**
- **Sustain Healthy Coasts**
- **Operations, management, and information**
  - ❖ **Administration and Budget**
  - ❖ **Planning and Development**
  - ❖ **Information Management**

# Pacific Islands Regional Office Personnel

## ● Honolulu

- ◆ 17 Staff
- ◆ 8 Debriefers (observer program)
- ◆ 5 JIMAR
- ◆ Build Capacity for PIRO??

## ● American Samoa

- ◆ 3 staff
- ◆ 1 SPC, ASDMWR, PIAO

# Sustainable Fisheries



- **International Obligations**
- **Domestic Responsibilities**

# Sustainable Fisheries International

- **South Pacific Multilateral Tuna Treaty**
- **Support DOS in Pacific Island Issues**
  - ◆ **implementing the Pacific-wide fisheries management organization (MHLC)**
- **Pacific Island Insular Fishing Agreements**
- **Compact Obligations**
- **Permits - High Seas, Tuna Treaty**

# Sustainable Fisheries

## Domestic

- **Support WPFMC**
- **Implement fishery management plans**
  - ◆ **Pelagics**
  - ◆ **Crustaceans**
  - ◆ **Bottom fish**
  - ◆ **Precious Coral**
  - ◆ **Coral Reef Ecosystem (in development)**
- **Monitor fisheries**

# **Sustainable Fisheries**

## **Domestic**

- **Observers and data collectors**
- **Grants and cooperative agreements**
- **Issue permits**

# Protected Resources

- **Endangered Species**

- **Marine Mammals**



# Protected Resources

- **ESA consultations**
- **Recovery plan implementation**
- **ESA/MMPA/CITES permits**
- **DOD coordination**
- **Stranding network**
- **Research coordination**
- **Marine sanctuary**
- **Oceania Regional Response Team**



# Habitat Conservation



- **Permit Reviews**
- **WPFMC support**
- **Oceania Regional Response Team**
- **DOD Partnering**
- **Compact Obligations**
- **Essential Fish Habitat**